

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CONSTRUCTION OF POWER PLANTS IN J & K AND GUJARAT

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the construction of power plants in Jammu & Kashmir and Gujarat are lagging behind their schedule time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the extent to which cost of these plants has escalated due to unnecessary delay, plant-wise;
- (d) whether any officer has been held responsible for causing unnecessary delay in the construction of plant; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (e) : At present following two hydro power projects are under construction in J&K :

(i) Dulhasti (390 MW), NHPC

(ii) Baglihar (450 MW) - State Sector.

The Baglihar project is scheduled to be commissioned in 2004-05 at a cost of Rs.3810 crore. The construction of the project is going on as per schedule without any escalation.

The work on the Dulhasti project was restarted in April, 1997 and the project was then scheduled for commissioning in May, 2001. The project is now scheduled to be commissioned in December, 2003. The cost of the project has since gone up from Rs.3559.77 crores (at November, 1996 price level) to 4227.92 crore (November, 2001 price level)

There is no thermal power project presently under construction in J&K.

In so far as Gujarat is concerned, the status of ongoing projects is given as under :

Name of project /capacity	Commissioning schedule	Reasons for delay
	Original	Latest

Sardar Sarovar,	1994-96	2002-07	Relief and Rehabilitation problems,
Joint venture of			Litigation/agitation by
Gujarat, MP and			environmentalists are the main reasons
Maharashtra in the			for delaying this project. The cost has
ratio of 16:57:27,			gone from originally Rs. 1551.86 crore

(1450 MW) to Rs. 3267.25 crore. Two units of
Canal Head Power House have been
spun on 4.9.2002 ahead of schedule.

Akrimota Lignite U-1 - 3/03 U-1 - 5/03 Financial closure yet to be achieved.
based TPP, 250 U-2 - 9/03 U-2 - 11/03 IDBI is non-committal for release of
MW, State Sector funds. State authorities have
approached PFC for tie up of funds

Dhuvaran Gas - GT - 4/2003 The project works are as per schedule
based CCPP, ST- 7/2003
106.617 MW
State Sector

Jamnagar Petcoke U-1-36 months Financial closure is yet to be achieved.
based TPP, 500 from financial
MW, Private Sector closure
U-2- 39 months
from financial
closure

U = Unit
GT = Gas Turbine
ST = Steam Turbine